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Dockets Management Branch
Food and Drug Administration
Room 1061
5630 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Sir/Madam;

Enclosed, please find petitions signed by over 650 students, faculty and staff from Bergen Community College in Paramus, NJ. We object strongly to the FDA's continued support to the outdated criteria for not giving blood if "you are a man who has had sex with another man since 1977, even once." The criteria is not only homophobic but completely irrational since all the blood in the US blood supply is stringently tested for HIV and many other blood transmitted diseases.

We will no longer allow blood drives on our campus as long as this criteria remains in place. We know that blood is a gift of life but it should be allowed to be given by gay men as well.

Sincerely,



Prof. Jim Bumgardner

Cc: Senator Jon Corzine
Senator Frank Lautenberg
Enc.



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The most common reasons for not being able to give blood

Temporary reasons

| Condition | Length of time before you can give blood |
|---|--|
| Not feeling well for any reason | until symptoms are over |
| Cold, sore throat, respiratory infection, flu | until symptoms are over |
| Fever with headache in last seven days | fourteen days after symptoms are over |
| Travel to an area of the world where malaria is a problem | twelve months after return |
| Antibiotics (except antibiotics for acne) | when treatment is complete if taken for infection |
| Accutane, Proscar and Propecia | one month after taking last dose |
| Avodart | six months after taking last dose |
| Soriatane | three years after taking last dose |
| Certain cases of heart disease | contact us for Medical Eligibility at 1-800-688-0900 |
| Ears, nose or skin piercing | twelve months after procedure unless done under sterile conditions |
| Tattoos | twelve months after procedure |
| Blood transfusion | twelve months after receiving blood |
| Full-term pregnancy | six weeks after delivery |
| Abortion or miscarriage | six weeks if after the first trimester (12 weeks) |
| Surgery, serious injury | when healing is complete and feeling well |
| Smallpox vaccination | two months after vaccination |
| Tuberculosis (TB) | after completion of treatment |
| Have been an inmate of a correctional institution for more than 72 consecutive hours | twelve months from date of release |
| Syphilis, gonorrhea | twelve months following diagnosis and treatment |
| You or your sexual partner had sex with a prostitute within the past twelve months, even once | twelve months after last incident |
| Have had sex with anyone in the first five categories listed at right | twelve months after last incident |

Permanent reasons

Please do not give blood if you:

- Have used illegal drugs with a needle, even once
- Are a man who has had sex with another man since 1977, even once
- Are a hemophiliac
- Have ever had a positive antibody test for HIV (AIDS virus)
- Are a man or woman who has had sex for money or drugs any time since 1977
- Have had viral hepatitis or a positive test for viral hepatitis any time after your eleventh birthday
- Have had certain forms of cancer (contact us regarding medical eligibility at 1-800-688-0900)
- Have had babesiosis or Chagas disease
- Have taken Tegison for psoriasis
- Have Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease (CJD) and/or an immediate member of your family has CJD

Notes

- Most people with diabetes, and most people on medications other than those noted above, are eligible to donate blood. For specific Medical Eligibility guidelines, call us at 1-800-688-0900.
- Federal guidelines may exclude people who have lived in or have travelled to or from certain countries outside of the United States.
- The reasons for not being eligible to donate blood may have changed after this brochure was printed.

An Urgent Request: Please do not give blood to find out your HIV (AIDS virus) test results. If you need information on where to go for confidential HIV testing, please call your local health department.

Be a blood donor

**DONATE BLOOD NOW.
PEOPLE CAN'T LIVE WITHO**

△ New Jersey
Blood Services
A Division of the New York Blood
1-800-933-BLOOD

PETITION TO THE FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION

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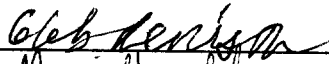

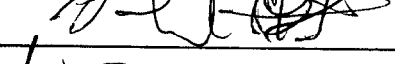

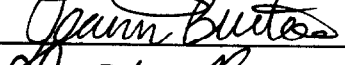
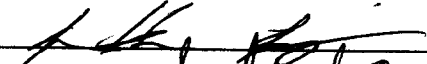

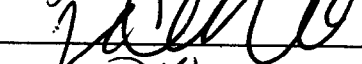
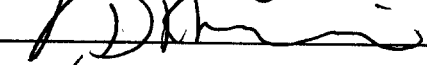
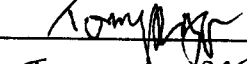


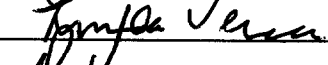
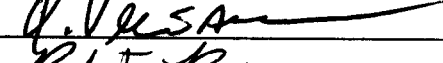
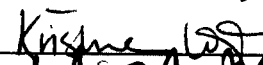

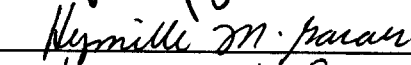

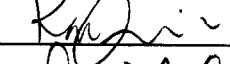

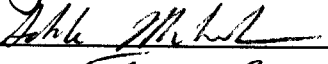
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15. ~~Franky Long~~
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19. Jolanta Barnett
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